

What is claimed is:

1. An apparatus which is equipped with a battery compartment containing a battery and is supplied with electric power from the battery, comprising:

a battery terminal which comes into contact with an electrode of the battery contained in the battery compartment and draws electric power from the battery,

wherein the battery terminal is made of a conductive and elastic plate member bent to make a circuit with both its ends juxtaposed to each other, has contacts which come into contact at both the ends with the battery electrode, and has a pair of claws which are formed at positions closer to the center of the plate member than are both the ends, by cutting and raising part of the plate member, to pinch the battery by deflection of the plate member when the battery presses against the contacts.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the claws are strips produced by cutting and raising part of the plate member and crowned with insulating material.

3. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the claws pinch the periphery of the battery contained in the battery compartment.

4. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the battery contained in the battery compartment has a protruding electrode

and the claws pinch the protruding electrode of the battery contained in the battery compartment.